

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

Order Instituting Rulemaking to Revisit Net Energy Metering Tariffs Pursuant to Decision 16-01-044, and to Address Other Issues Related to Net Energy Metering.

Rulemaking 20-08-020

ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE'S RULING PARTIALLY GRANTING THE COALITION FOR COMMUNITY SOLAR ACCESS' REQUESTS FOR AN EXTENSION OF TIME TO FILE COMMENTS AND FOR AN INCREASE IN PAGE LIMITS FOR OPENING AND REPLY COMMENTS

This ruling extends the deadline for comments on the Proposed Decision in this proceeding to January 7, 2022, and extends the deadline for reply comments to January 14, 2022. This ruling also increases the page limits for opening comments from 15 pages to 20 pages, and from 5 to 8 pages for reply comments.

On December 14, 2021, by e-mail to the assigned Administrative Law Judge (ALJ) and the service list, the Coalition for Community Solar Access (CCSA) requested an extension of time for opening comments to January 10, 2022, and for reply comments to January 17, 2022. In the same e-mail, CCSA also requested that the page limits for opening comments be increased from 15 pages to 25 pages, and from 5 pages to 10 pages for reply comments.

In accord with the requirements of Rule 11.6, CCSA contacted all parties on the Rulemaking 20-08-020 service list to inform them of its intent to submit the motion seeking both an extension of time and an increase in the allowed

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number of pages for the comments on the Proposed Decision and requested that they, by way of return email, indicate their position on both.

CCSA received responses from 21 parties. The following parties indicated that they supported both requests: California Energy Storage Alliance, Walmart, Sierra Club, Ivy Energy, Solar Energy Industries Association, Vote Solar, California Solar and Storage Association, Clean Coalition, 350 Bay Area, Center for Sustainable Energy, Grid Alternatives, Agricultural Energy Consumers Association, and the Farm Bureau. The following parties supported the request for an extension of time but did not support the request for increased page limits: Cal Advocates and Independent Energy Producer's Association. The following parties indicated that they opposed both requests: Pacific Gas and Electric Company, Southern California Edison, San Diego Gas and Electric Company, and Coalition of California Utility Employees. California Wind Energy Association and The Utility Reform Network were neutral on the time extension request, but opposed increasing the page limits.

Subsequent to the ALJ receiving CCSA's e-mail, the following parties informed the ALJ by e-mail of their positions on the request. The following parties support both extending the date for comments, and an increase to the page limits: San Diego Community Power, San Jose Clean Power, Small Business Utility Advocates, East Bay Community Energy, Foundation Windpower, and the Protect Our Communities Foundation. The Natural Resources Defense Council is neutral on the extension but opposes an increase to the page limits on comments.

After reviewing the motion and the parties' positions,

IT IS RULED that:

- 1. Comments on the Proposed Decision are due on January 7, 2022, and reply comments are due on January 14, 2022.
- 2. The page limit for Comments on the Proposed Decision is 20 pages, and the page limit for Reply Comments is 8 pages.

This ruling also acknowledges the timely requested oral argument by the Solar Energy Industry Association and Vote Solar. A separate ruling with notice and additional direction for the oral argument will be issued at a late date.

Dated December 17, 2021, at San Francisco, California.

/s/ S. PAT TSEN

S. Pat Tsen, Assistant Chief Administrative Law Judge on behalf of Kelly Hymes, Administrative Law Judge